Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)



"Lessons From an External and Internal Worship Experiences with God"

Order of Worship August 25, 2024 | 10 AM Guest Pastor Ben Kangar

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Welcome to God's House!

The Mission of Gloria Dei is Caring. Sharing. Serving. Reaching.

We strive to be the local church in the community of Northeast Minneapolis, who are here to help people come to KNOW Jesus, GROW in their faith and GO into the world equipped to SERVE others. GLORY TO GOD!

Today's Topic: Sacrifice and other rituals expressed reverence for God, but faithfulness and obedience to the covenant demands of God in every sphere of life also distinguished true from false religion. The New Testament indicates that humanity's failure to fear God and show him proper respect brings his wrath (Romans 1:18-25). Only by being "redeemed . . . with the precious blood of Christ" can we be set free to serve God "in reverent fear" (1 Peter 1:17-21).

A special welcome to visitors and guests; we are pleased that you have joined us today! If you have no church family, and if we can be of any assistance to you, please speak with the Pastor after the service or via the church office. We pray you will feel God's love for you and be empowered to live as God's child this week. We look forward to seeing you again.

Is there something you'd like us to pray for today? If you have family members or friends who require our prayers, please use the prayer request cards found in each pew. They will be added to the Prayer list. You can hand your request to an usher before the service or during the offering. They will be given to the Pastor to be included in the prayers for today. Other prayer requests can be made by contacting the church office at 612.781.1989.

Children are welcome in worship!

The Lord's Supper is celebrated.

When we receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ,

- we express the belief that Jesus is the Son of God and Son of Man;
- that Jesus is our Savior and only way for salvation;
- that Jesus offers us His Body and Blood in a mysterious yet real way;
- that Christ's sacrificial death grants the forgiveness of our sins;
- and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a more godly life and to amend with the help of the Holy Spirit, those areas not in conformity with God's will.

We declare these statements because it is our concern for people to not be hypocritical between their faith and celebrate the blessings of God's Table at the Altar. e.

We don't worship God because life is good. We worship God because He is Good!

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

AS WE GATHER: True worship of God is when we love Him with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. It's when we prize God above everything else and put Him first in our hearts.

+ CONNECT+

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

LSB 770

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What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; Oh, what needless pain we bearAll because we do not carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged-- Take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness-- Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden, Cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge--- Take it to the Lord in prayer. Do your friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer. In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a solace there.

INVOCATION

L: Our worship begins the way our lives in Christ begin in baptism: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF OUR SINS

L: Let us confess our sins unto our Heavenly Father who truly loves us.

C: Merciful Father, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole hearts; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

FORGIVENESS IS ANNOUNCED

+ NURTURE +

SONG OF PRAISE

"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

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'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His Word Just to rest upon His promise, Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord!"

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! Oh, for grace to trust Him more!

I'm so glad I learned to trust Him, Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend And I know that He is with me, Will be with me to the end.

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! Oh, for grace to trust Him more!

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 7:1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: "Stand in the gate of the Lord's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the Lord, all you men of Judah who enter these gates to worship the Lord. Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Amend your ways and your deeds, and I will let you dwell in this place. Do not trust in these deceptive words: 'This is the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord.'

"For if you truly amend your ways and your deeds, if you truly execute justice one with another, if you do not oppress the sojourner, the fatherless, or the widow, or shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not go after other gods to your own harm, then I will let you dwell in this place, in the land that I gave of old to your fathers forever. "Behold, you trust in deceptive words to no avail. Will you steal, murder, commit adultery, swear falsely, make offerings to Baal, and go after other gods that you have not known, and then come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, "We are delivered!'—only to go on doing all these abominations? Has this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, I myself have seen it, declares the Lord.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE READING

Romans 9:30; 10:1-4

What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith. Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For, being ignorant of the righteousness of God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 19:41-48

L: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to You, O Lord!

And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, saying, "Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

Jesus Cleanses the Temple

And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold, saying to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be a house of prayer,' but you have made it a den of robbers." And he was teaching daily in the temple. The chief priests and the scribes and the principal men of the people were seeking to destroy him, but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were hanging on his words.

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.
C: Praise to You, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY "In Christ Alone" Keith Getty/Stuart Townend Copyright © 2001 Thankyou Music, EMI Christian Music Group, CCLI# 3350395

In Christ alone my Hope is found, He is my Light, my Strength, my Song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, What depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, When strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! Who took on flesh. Fullness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save: Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied — For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain: Then bursting forth in glorious Day. Up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory. Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine - Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath. Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand; Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

MESSAGE Guest Pastor Ben Kangar "Lessons From an External and Internal Worship Experiences with God"

CONFESSION OF FAITH: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS

+ EMPOWER +

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(Prayer response – P: Lord, in your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.)

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

PREFACE TO HOLY COMMUNION

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

L: It is our duty and delight at all times and everywhere to give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for You have enlightened us by the working of the Holy Spirit. Grant that the Spirit, who has called and gathered us, would guide us in all things, that we be enabled to speak the Gospel to others and rejoice in sharing the gift of salvation that is our treasure. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, with You and the Holy Spirit, is one God, through whom with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take this, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you, Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy, You would strengthen us through the same, in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

CLOSING SONG

"How Great Thou Art"

LSB 801

Text and Tune:© 1953, renewed 1981 Manna Music

O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder, Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made; I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain: Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee, How great Thou art, How great Thou art. Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee, How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

When through the woods, and forest glades I wander, I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze

Refrain

But when I think that God, His Son not sparing Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in – That on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin:

Refrain

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: "My God how great Thou art!"

Refrain

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

+ Silent Prayer +

POSTLUDE

+ WE DEPART TO SERVE +

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OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

8/25 Sun	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	
	10:00 am	Worship w/Holy Communion,
		with Guest Pastor Ben Kangar
	11:45 am	Royal Family Worship
	6:00 pm	NA
8/26 Mon	7:00 pm	Beginners AlAnon (downstairs)
	7:00 pm	AlAnon (upstairs)
8/30 Fri	5:00 pm	Living Word Music Rehearsal
8/31 Sat	10:00 am	Living Word Worship & Fellowship
	6:00 pm	Living Word Prayer Night
9/01 Sun	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	
-	10:00 am	Worship w/Holy Communion,
		with Pastor Matthew Cephus
	11:45 am	Royal Family Worship
	6:00 pm	NA

SERVING TODAY

Elder: Karmon Christopherson Reading: Katie Beth Carlson

Ushers: Dale Raschke and Wade Billmeyer Altar Care: Tom and Patty Lyrenmann

Counters: Dale Raschke and Wade Billmeyer

Attendance: 8/18/2024: 19

BIRTHDAYS: 26th James Norman, Jr.

ANNIVERSARIES: None

ETERNAL CANDLE: Shirley Holzinger – In memory of Dad, Alvin's Birthday (8/27)

FLOWERS: None

PRAYER CONCERNS

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Robert & Delores Kluwe, Larry Schlais, Pat Scott and all

our shut-ins

Barb McDonald knee replacement surgery

Wade Billmeyer Upcoming radiation

Roselyn Norman safe travels and stay while in Liberia (6/08/24 – 9/04/24)

Roselyn Norman's neighbor and friend, Tom, was recently diagnosed with State 3 kidney and liver cancer

James Norman, Sr. (James' dad) Prayers for a successful treatment for prostate cancer **Meridel Christopherson** surgery to insert a stint in her main artery was unsuccessful, will re-evaluate at an upcoming appt

Kim Morelli (Morelli's DnL) recovering from breast cancer surgery on May 1 **Jim** (Gwen Johnson's brother) reoccurring issues due to his time in the Service **Pastor Jim Gullickson** (Sandy Westling's friend) suffered a stroke, continuing rehab, using a wheelchair

John (Meridel and Patty's brother) transplanted kidney issues, continued prayers

Butch Morelli Blocked carotid artery, surgery postponed, continued prayers

Amy Rich (Morelli's DnL) ongoing treatment after successful surgery for breast cancer

Nonie Wakeman (Shirley Slagle's SnL) diagnosed with Lung Cancer

Karen (Karmon's sister) Recently diagnosed with cancer (Warren's wife)

Kurt Nowacki (Bruce & Julie Cross' Brother-in-Law) recently diagnosed with 'myopathy,' a degenerative muscle disease

Bruce (Wenda Schwoch's BnL has stage 4 prostate cancer and **Ashley** (Wenda's niece) continued prayers

John (Karmon/Meridel SnL) has been diagnosed with chronic myelogenous leukemia (CML), prayers for good results on continued cancer treatments

Roxie Johnson (Morelli's niece) heart issues, pacemaker implanted, continued prayers **Warren** (Karmon's BnL) Receiving chemo and radiation for Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma **Ty** (Wade Billmeyer's Friend of a friend) continued prayers

Amy Price (Morelli's niece) – treatments for stage 4 cancer

For First Responders/Health Care Workers, including James Norman, an ICU nurse THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY IN DANGEROUS AREAS

TODAY'S LUTHERAN HOUR

August 25

"When the Monsters Come"

(Job 40:15-41:34)

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer

Archives August: We can never be too vigilant against the devil's attacks but in Christ we can always be confident that the victory is ours.

NEXT WEEK ON THE LUTHERAN HOUR

September 1 "The One"

(Genesis 24:14)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler The Universe does not have a plan for your life--but God does!

On Sunday mornings, listen on 830 AM WCCO AM at 6:05 am, or 1110 AM, Omaha, at 6:30 am, or XM 170 Satellite Radio on Sundays at noon or listen anytime at www.lutheranhour.org

STEWARDSHIP: Proper 16 - Mark 7:11

"But you say, 'if a man tells his father or his mother, "Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban" (that is, given to God)." Each one of our vocations, in the home, in the church and in society, has a claim on our resources. The Pharisees thought that they could use the kingdom of God as an excuse to shirk their duty to their parents. But they were wrong. Of course, doing it the other way around would also be wrong. God has called us to be supportive of our families, our churches and our communities each in the proper proportion.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

"We live in the presence of evil. Some of it is twisted to sound good. We hear of 'the compassionate relief of suffering' or 'death with dignity' or 'right to health care' or 'simple medical procedure.' You know many more. God calls us to confront these with His truth, to reveal the evil behind them. God calls us to educate fellow Christians in His truth, so they do not end up 'possessed' by this way of thinking. God calls us to call evil what it is, but also to share the truth of what God has done about evil. For that we fix our gaze upon Jesus (Hebrews 12:2). He speaks to us through His Word of truth and grace." Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former Executive Director of Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9 am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2 with an episode of This Is the Life. This week's episode is "**Look to the Mountain**" — A hopeless situation becomes more hopeless when a down and out man kidnaps a young girl for ransom money. The worship service begins at 9:30 am with Rev. David Petrich from St. James Lutheran Church in Holland, MN, presenting a message titled "**Wise in the Fear of the Lord**" based on **Proverbs 9:1-10**. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com select the "Twin Cities" tab.

BIBLE STUDY IS RETURNING!

Gloria Dei is excited to announce Wednesday mid-day bible study will return **September 11 at 11 am** and will feature *The Chosen, Part 4*. Come along on the journey of *The Chosen, Part 4*, where you will witness the clashing kingdoms and rival rulers. The enemies of Jesus are closing in while His followers are struggling to keep up, leaving Him to carry the burden alone.

The Chosen is an American Christian historical drama series. It is the first multi-season series about the life and ministry of Jesus of Nazareth. Primarily set in Judaea and Galilee in the first century, the series centers on Jesus and the people who met and followed him.

You are welcome to attend, even if you have not seen Part 1 - 3. Part 4 will surely captivate you!

Pastor Matthew Cephus will lead the bible studies and following discussion. Look forward to seeing you there!



Fall Garage Sale Dates Set! September 26 - 28

Gloria Dei is planning a fall garage sale. As with past sales, all proceeds will benefit Gloria Dei directly. Sale organizers can use your help! Mary Piper will be collecting gently used, sellable items for the garage sale. Please bring your items to Mary's house on or before Sunday, September 22 (2955 Benjamin Street NE, leave them at the side garage door). Volunteers are also needed to help price, setup and work the sale. Speak with Mary or Shirley if you have an interest. *Many hands make light work.*

Free Produce Giveaway | August 26 @ 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Free fresh fruit and vegetables for the community Monday, August 26, 2:30-4:30 pm. Inperson, no registration required – open to all, first come, first served. East Side Neighborhood Services Parking Lot, 1700 Second Street, NE. Hosted by the Senior Food Shelf.

Columbia Heights Lions Hygiene Drive

Columbia Heights Lions will hold a hygiene drive **Friday, August 30, 4-7 pm** at Murzyn Hall, 530 Mill Street NE. Items needed: Feminine products, deodorant, toothbrushes & paste, shampoo, soap. Monetary donations are also accepted. All items will be delivered to Columbia Heights High School for distribution within the school district.